



New Mexico Department of Public Safety  
Law Enforcement Academy  
**OFFICER SURVIVAL SCENARIO**



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**SCENARIO NUMBER:** Vehicle 236 (Intermediate)

**SCENARIO TITLE:** Unknown Risk Traffic Stop,  
warrant

**SCENARIO SYNOPSIS:**

Student will conduct a traffic stop for a stop sign violation. The driver has a warrant for his arrest. Driver and three passengers are verbally abusive, but physically compliant.

**INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVE(S):**

Student will demonstrate a tactically sound **approach**.  
Student will demonstrate clear and appropriate radio and/or verbal **communication with officers**, and will demonstrate awareness of radio transmissions.  
Student will demonstrate clear and appropriate **communication with radio**, and will demonstrate awareness of radio transmissions.  
Student will demonstrate appropriate verbal **communication with subjects** and will exhibit command presence.  
Student will demonstrate proper **danger area awareness**.  
Student will demonstrate proper **danger cue awareness**.  
Student will demonstrate the ability to take appropriate, legally defensible **enforcement action**.  
Student will demonstrate proper **handcuffing** and handcuff removal techniques.  
Student will demonstrate proper **light discipline**.  
Student will demonstrate proper **noise discipline**.  
Student will demonstrate a proper **pat down and/or person search**.  
Student will demonstrate proper **positioning of officers**.  
Student will demonstrate proper **positioning of vehicles**.  
Student will demonstrate appropriate, efficient **use of equipment**.  
Student will demonstrate a proper and legally defensible **vehicle search**.

**LOGISTICAL REQUIREMENTS:**

SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:

**None**

MARKED UNITS REQUIRED:

**01**

SUBJECT VEHICLES REQUIRED:

**01**

ROLE PLAYERS REQUIRED:

**01 Student, 4 subjects**

QUANTITY:

ITEM(S):

**01**

**Simulated current vehicle registration**

**01**

**Simulated current insurance card**

**04**

**Simulated driver's licenses**

**ROLE PLAYER INFORMATION:**

**Subject 1:** You are stopped for a minor traffic violation. You have a warrant for a previous traffic violation. You are physically compliant but verbally abusive.

**Subjects 2, 3, and 4:** You are intoxicated. You are physically compliant but verbally abusive.

**STUDENT INFORMATION:**

You will conduct a traffic stop for a minor traffic violation.